

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC 7 G01N33/68

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

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1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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1-26 (part)

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No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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1. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of Alzheimer; method for diagnosing Alzheimer; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a KLK8 polypeptide for the treatment of Alzheimer; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of Alzheimer comprising the KLK8 polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of Alzheimer.

2. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of gastroenterological disorders; method for diagnosing gastroenterological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a KLK8 polypeptide for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders comprising the KLK8 polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of gastroenterological disorders.

3. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of cancer; method for diagnosing cancer; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a KLK8 polypeptide for the treatment of cancer; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of cancer comprising the KLK8 polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of cancer.

4. claims: 1-26(part)

Method of screening for therapeutical agents useful in the treatment of reproduction disorders; method for diagnosing reproduction disorders; pharmaceutical compositions comprising agents which bind/regulate the activity of a KLK8 polypeptide for the treatment of reproduction disorders; pharmaceutical compositions for the treatment of reproduction disorders comprising the KLK8 polypeptide; method for preparing a pharmaceutical composition useful for the treatment of reproduction disorders.

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